GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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Excavation Clearance for Kudankulam NPP
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a)whether the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board has given the much awaited site excavation clearance for the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Project (NPP);

(b)if so, the details thereof; and

(c)the time by which the excavation work would be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (Dr. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a)Yes, Sir.

(b)The excavation clearance for Units 3&4 of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Project (KKNPP-3&4) was accorded by the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) on January 21, 2016. The excavation has commenced on February 18, 2016.

(c)The excavation will be carried out in stages for the various plant buildings progressively. The entire excavation is expected to be completed in about 15 months.

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